



Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act

National Provider Identifier

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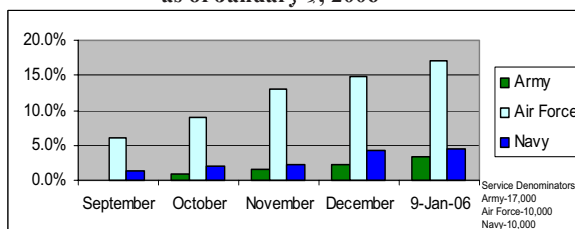
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The Race is On.....

National Provider Identifier Type 1 Enumeration Status
as of January 9, 2006



Army: 568

Navy: 457

Air Force: 1510

Aim High!!



The Service Denominators are not yet finalized.

TRICARE Enumeration Targets.....

By September 2005, 10 %
By September 2006, 50%
By January 2007, 75%
By February 2007, 85%
By March 2007, 95%
By April 2007, 100%

***TRICARE providers should
apply ASAP, help put your
Service in 1st Place.***

Why is the NPI important to me as a provider?

MHS providers are required to obtain and submit their NPIs to their Credentialing office prior to May 23, 2007 to continue work in their facilities. The NPI will replace all legacy identifiers and will be the standard provider identifier for providers across the United States. NPIs will be used to identify providers in HIPAA standard electronic transactions.

When a health care provider with an NPI moves to a new location, must the provider notify the enumerator of its new address?

Providers must notify the enumerator of changes in any information that it furnished on its NPI application, and must do so within 30 days of the change.

Why should I apply now, if the NPI is not required until 2007?

By obtaining your NPI as soon as possible, you will be aiding in TMA's implementation efforts and helping to ensure that the MHS is in compliance. NPIs are needed as soon as possible so that TMA can ensure provider and IT system readiness by the compliance date.

Did you know that organizational providers need to NPI Type 2?

Organizational Providers (NPI Type 2) such as Military Treatment Facilities and pharmacies also need an NPI. MTFs with legislative authority to bill including Defense Health Program (DHP) funded facilities and MTF pharmacy dispensing locations that currently have a National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP) Provider Identification number will need to have an NPI Type 2. In addition, MTFs that make referrals or as future business processes are developed, it may be necessary to reevaluate the need to enumerate additional facilities or subparts of a facility. For more information, please refer to the Enumeration Policy for Military Health System Organizational (Type 2) Health Care Providers at <http://www.ha.osd.mil/policies/>.

Helpful Links

CMS
NPPES
TRICARE
WEDI

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/providers/npi/>
<https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES>
www.tricare.osd.mil/hipaa
<http://www.wedi.org/npioi/>

**Providers that are attending the TRICARE
Conference, Thank you for participating in
our online survey.**

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